

in this "TRAPPED" THE BLACK

"The case of the ORANGE-PICKERS' PAYROLL"



## DEDICATED TO THE ERADICATION OF CRIME

TRUE CRIME STORY BUT AS HE LOOKED INTO THE EYES OF HIS ACCUSERS, SEEKING AT LEAST A SHRED OF BELIEF IN HIS INNOCENCE, HE KNEW HE WAS

# TRAPPEDY

The story of an innocent young man who hitch-hiked his way .

to the threshold of the gallows!



IT HAPPENS TO MOTORISTS EVERY DAY! IT WAS JUST OUT OF SUMPTER, S.C., THAT YOU PICKED HIM UP! HE WAS A NICE, QUIET FELLOW! YOU LEARNED THAT THERE WAS A JOSE FOR HIM IN MIAM!, IF HE COULD GET THERE IN TIME! BUT YOU WERENT GOING THAT WAY, AND NEAR FORESTON YOU HAD TO DROP HIM OFF...

I HATE TO LET YOU OUT IN ALL THIS RAIN, SON! I'VE GOT TO GET OVER TO ATLANTA QUICKLY, OR I'D TAKE YOU ON INTO FORESTON! SURE YOU WON'T RIDE ALONG? I KNOW SOME PEOPLE GOING DOWN!

THANKS! BUT I'LL TRY TO GET A HITCH FROM HERE! I'D LOSE A WHOLE DAY THE OTHER WAY! THANKS VERY MUCH FOR



YOU FELT SORRY FOR THE YOUNG MAN, AND YOU WORRIED A LITTLE, BLIT BEFORE YOU GOT TO ATLANTA, YOU FORGOT HE SAID HIS NAME WAS ARTHUR ANDREWS, AND SOON, MAYBE, YOU FORGOT THE ENTIRE EPISODE...



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DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!









NOW IT DON'T MAKE SENSE, YOU STANDING HERE GETTING SOAKED TO THE SKIN! TRYING TO DO YOU A FRIENDLY TURN, AND YOU WON'T PUT NOBODY OUT! THE OLD WOOL FORD PLACE AIN'T BEEN LIVED IN FOR TEN, FIFTEEN YEARS! TAIN'T GOT ANY FANCY TRIMMINGS, BUT IT'S BETTER'N OUTSIDE!



YOU GO STRAIGHT OUT ABOUT A QUARTER MILE TILL YOU COME TO MONUMENT HILL! YOU'LL SEE THE SIGN! TURN LEFT ON THE DIRT ROAD AND KEEP GOING! THE HOUSE IS OLD AND BEAT UP AND THERE'S AN IRON GATE WITH A STONE WOOL FORD ON IT! POST

GOT THANKS MISTER

OKAY, I













TOLD YOU: EH?...ALL RIGHT-THERE'S THE COT-SLEEP THERE, BUT YOU GOT TO DO SOMETHING FOR ME IN THE MORN-ING! I DON'T DO FAVORS FOR NO ONE WITHOUT GETTING A FAVOR IN I RETURN, AN' REMEMBER, BOY, I DON'T TRUST YOU...I'LL BE WATCHING YOU FROM MY CHAIR

ALL NIGHT! TRY ANY TRICKS AND I'LL SHOOT!

NO TRICKS, TOO TIRED, EVEN I WANTED TO PLAY A TRICK ON







OH, BROTHER! WHY'D YOU WAKE ME UP? I WAS GOING, BOY! MADE A GOOD FOR BARGAIN ... ANOTHER EIGHT NOW DO WHAT YOU HOURS' SLEEP .. HUH & BARGAIN & PROMISED! WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT?



JUST AS I THOUGHT! ALL YOU CAME HERE FOR WAS TO TAKE IT AWAY FROM ME! LUCKY THING I STAYED UP ALL NIGHT TO WATCH YOU! YOU PROMISED TO RETURN MY FAVOR JUST SO'S YOU COULD STAY AND HUNT FOR IT, DIDN'T YOUZ

DON'T PULL THAT TRIGGER, MISTER! I'LL DO ANYTHING YOU'LL HAVE WHAT YOU WANT!



"I TOLD YOU I CAIN'T SEE WITHOUT MY SPECS! THAT'S WHAT YOU GOT TO DO FOR ME! TAKE 'EM TO FORESTON FOR FIXING

A BARGAIN'S A BARGAIN .. BUT I'LL NEED SOME MONE TO PAY FOR THEM, WON'T IS



I KNOW ... THOUGHT I'D EH? OH, TAKE IT AWAY FROM YOU! NO, YOU MISTER, I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS! I DON'T CARE! IF YOU DON'T DON'T! THOUGHT YOU'D HAVE MONEY TO PAY FOR THESE, I CAN'T HELP YOU! I'M BROKE MYSELF ... EXCEPT FOR EIGHTEEN CENTS!



ALL RIGHT! UP THERE! FEEL AROUND IN THE WALL ... YOU'LL FIND A TIN BOX! HAND IT TO ME! AND REMEMBER BOY, I'LL BLOW YOUR HEAD OFF IF YOU TRY TO TAKE IT AWAY FROM ME



OH, THAT'S

PHEW! I WOULDN'T HAVE TO YEP! LOT OF WORK FOR A LONG TIME MONEY, EH, MONEY, EH, BOY? WITH THAT LOAD! IF I WASN'T SO DARNED WHAT'S LEFT OF THE WOOLFORD FORTUNE! THIRTY-HONEST ... OH, WELL SAY, IS FIFTY THE DOLLARS! BUT DON'T SMALLEST YOU'VE LET IT GIVE YOU NO GOT? IDEAS! I'D SHOOT YOU FORE YOU GOT TWO STEPS!
NOW SCAT ON OUT'N GET
THEM GLASSES FIXED! AND
DON'T PORGET TO BRING
ME THE CHANGE!



GRANDPA, THIS IS ONE TRUST SOMEBODY! DON'T WORRY! BRING YOU YOUR CHANGE AND YOUR GLASSES, FIXED!





WAIT-BOY! PSHAW DURNED FOOL FORGOT TO PUT MY MONEY BOX BACK UP THERE IN THE HIDING PLACE! HE'LL PUT IT BACK WHEN HE RETURNS OR I'LL SHOOT HIM DOWN!



## HE LAW







YEAH! BUT IT ISN'T MINE! I HAD A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP, ALL RIGHT, BUT YOU WERE MISTAKEN ABOUT THAT PLACE BEING DESERTED! HE'S KIND OF QUEER. BUT I PROMISED TO THIS IS



SHO' NUFF ? I SWEAR I DIDN'T 'MEMBER OL' MAN WOOLFORD WAS STILL ALIVE AND KICKING! I BEEN AWAY FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS... JUST GOT BACK TWO WEEKS AGO! STILL ALIVE! I DO DECLARE! WHAT WAS IT YOU WANTED, NOW ... OH, THOSE SPECS! YOU LET OL' JAKE HENRY SHOW YOU WHERE THE EYEGLASS MAN IS...



I DON'T HAVE











HAH! HAH! YOU OL' FOX!

DON'T FENCE WITH ME! WHAT

DO YOU SAY INTERESTED TAO?

IT'S AN AWFUL LOT OF MONEY
REST?

SO...

THIS SUIDDEN-LIKE, WHEN I SAW

THAT FELLER YESTERDAY!

THAT FELLER YESTERDAYI
I GENT HIM
OVER TO
AMODLFORD'S
PLACE!
THE STRANGER!
LET'S HEAR WHAT
ELSE IS ON
YOUR MIND,
JAKE!

### TWO HOURS LATER, AT THE WOOLFORD

YOU DON'T THINK HE'LL I'M MORE WORRIED HE MIGHT COME SEE HOW YOU'RE COMN' WITH THE SPECS, TAD? I LET'S GET DONE MEAN BEFORE THE FOUR HOURS ARE FAST!















MEBBE NOT, FRANK, BUT I WAS WONDERING ABOUT WOOLFORD! WORRIED, YMGHT SAY! I SAW THIS STRANGER THIS MORNING! YESTERDAY HE DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO BUY HIMSELF A MEAL, AND TODAY HE WAS SPORTING A FIFTY DOLLAR BILL! WHERE YOU SUPPOSE HE GOT THAT MONEY,

A FIFTY? JAKE, HOW ABOUT YOU AND ME TAKING A LITTLE RIDE OUT TO THE OLD HOUSE? NO HARM HAVING A LOOK ...



#### SHERIFF PARRISH FOUND WOOLFORD'S BODY MIERE JAKE AND TAD HAD LEFT IT.

POOR OLD MAN! YOU SAY THIS STRANGER IS STILL IN TOWN? COURSE IT MIGHT BE PRETTY HARD TO PROVE WOOLFORD HAD ANY MONEY OR THAT THE FELLER STOLE IT FROM HIM!

WHY ELSE WOULD HE KILL HIM? REMEMBER WHAT I SAID ABOUT HIM BEING BROKE YESTERDAY AND

DOLLAR BILL THIS MORNING? I THINK IF YOU QUESTION HIM LONG ENOUGH. HE'LL ADMIT EVERYTHING!



THEY FOUND ART ANDREWS IN THE CAFE, HAVING A CUP OF COFFEE

YOU SAY WOOLFORD TOOK PIETY DOLLARS OUT OF A METAL BOX TO PAY FOR HAVING HIS SPECS FIXED? WHEN YOU WENT BACK DID YOU SEE THAT

I DIDN'T GO BACK! I HAVEN'T SPECS FROM THE OPTOMETRIST YET! WHAT IS SOMETHING



WHAT?

MINUTE!

WOOLFORD

WASN'T DEAD

HIM! IT'S CRAZY!

WHEN I LEFT

YOU CAN ASK

JUST ANSWER MY QUESTIONS! YOUR STORY DOESN'T JIBE WITH THE FACT THAT WOOLFORD HAD HIS ASSES ON, AND THEY'RE NOT BROKEN! NOW, TELL ME WHY YOU WENT OUT TO WOOLFORD'S IN THE FIRST PLACE!

> THIS FELLOW SUGGESTED YESTERDAY THAT I GO TO PLACE! THE WOOLFORD HE SAID IT WAS DESERTED AND I COULD GET A NIGHT'S LODGING! BUT WOOLFORD WAS THERE! HE SAID I COULD STAY IF I'D DO HIM A FANOR, TAKE HIS SPECS IN TO TOWN AND HAVE 'EM FIXED! HE



YOU'RE GETTING DEEPER SON! TOLD YOU WOOLFORD HAD HIS ON!

AW, NOW, WHY TRY TO DRAG ME IN ON THIS YOU AROUND TOWN, BUT DON'T SAY I TOLD YOU TO GO OUT TO THE OLD HOUSE, BECAUSE IF YOU SAY I SPOKE TO YOU BEFORE NOW, YOU'RE TELLING AN UNTRUTH!

BUT, YOU... SAY, WHAT'S GOING ON?

SON, I'M ARRESTING YOU FOR THE MURDER OF ED WOOLFORD! YOU COME OVER TO THE JAIL WITH ME! MAYBE WE CAN GET THE WHOLE STORY STRAIGHT ABOUT WHAT YOU DID WITH THE REST OF THE MONEY!

THE OPTOME-TRIST ABOUT THE GLASSES! HE'LL TELL YOU I BROUGHT THEM TO HIM THREE HOURS AGO! VE JUST BEEN WAITING AROUND TOWN TO PICK THEM UP!



GIVING ART EVERY CHANCE TO PROVE HE WAS TELLING THE TRUTH, THE SHERIFF TOOK HIM TO TAD FRAWLEY'S SHOP...

I DON'T KNOW WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT, FRANK, BUT I'VE NEVER SEEN THIS FELLER BEFORE! AS FOR FIXING OL' ED'S SPECS, I COULD'VE DONE THAT WITH-OLIT HIM HERE OR WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION!

WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO DO TO LYING TRYING TO RAILROAD ME!







ART ANDREWS RAN! HE DIDN'T KNOW WHERE HE WAS RUNNING; HE JUST RAN! HE WAS TERRIFIED! AND AFTER A WHILE HE HEARD THE BAYING OF THE DOGS...





LATE THAT NIGHT, ART SLIPPED BACK INTO TOWN, AND FINDING THE STREETS DESERTED...

PLEASE, RUTH,

ME AWAY! I

SWEAR, I DIDN'T DO IT! I WAS TELLING

ART! WHY'D YOU
COME SACK? DON'T
YOU KNOW ALL OF
FORESTON IS ON
THE LOOKOUT FOR
YOU? THE WHOLE
STATE!



STAY IN THE NTCHEN! THE COOK'S GONE POR THE NIGHT! WHY DIDN'T YOU KEEP RUNNING? I DON'T BELIEVE JAKE HENRY, BUT YOU WON'T STAND A CHANCE HERE!

BUT WHERE
CAN I GO?
WHAT SHALL
DON'T KILL
WOOLFORD!
WHY SHOULD
I HAVE TO
PAY FOR
SOMETHING
I DIDN'T DO?



I DIDN'T KNOW WHICH WAY
TO TURN, AND THEN I
REMEMBERED HOW NICE
YOU'D BEEN TO ME, AND,
WELL, I NEED A FRIEND,
SOMEONE WHO'LL BELIEVE
IN ME!...MR. WOOLFORD
WAS ALIVE WHEN I
LEFT HIM THIS MORNING!
I HAVENIT SEEN HIM
SINCE!

I'LL STICK BY
YOU, FOR ALL
THE GOOD IT
WILL DO! I'VE
LIVED IN
FORESTON ALL
MY LIFE AND I
KNOW WHAT IT'S
LIKE TO BE
TRAPPED IN A



THERE, ISN'T MUCH HOPE, I KNOW...AND NOW I REALIZE THAT RUNNING WAS LIKE ADMITTING MY GUILE THE OPTOMETRIST WAS MY ONLY HOPE! WHEN I BROUGHT HIM THE GLASSES WITH THE BROKEN LENS, HE SAID HE HAD WOOLFORD'S PRESCRIPTION! HE LIED LATER...

GUILT! THICK AS THICK

YOU MIGHT

EXPECT TAD

AND JAKE



I BROKE MY GLASSES ONCE, IN ATLANTA, AND I DIDNIT MEED A PRESCRIPTION!

THE OPTOMETRIST WAS ABLE TO GET IT FROM THE BROKEN GLASSES! WHAT DID TAD FRAWLEY DO WITH WOOLFORD'S BROKEN LENS! IF IT'S IN HIS SHOP, IT WILL PROVE HE WAS LYING! I'VE GOT TO TELL SHERIFF PARISH!

TELL HIM...
I'M HERE?
NO, RUTH...
NOT...OH,
WHAT'S
THE USE?
OKAY, BUT
I WON'T



















ANDREWS DIDN'T GET AWAY TO MIAMI AFTER ALL, NOT RIGHT AWAY, THAT IS! HE HAD TO WAIT OVER FOR JAKE HENRY A WITNESS FOR THE STATE, YOU KNOW, BUT HE DIDN'T MIND BECAUSE CHANCE TO GET BETTER ACQUAINTED WITH RUTH CLAYTON! THEN, A FEW DAYS AFTER THE TRIAL AND

CONVICTION OF

JAKE HENRY.



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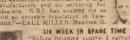
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# DEDICATED TO THE ERADICATION OF CRIME

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THOUSAND BUCKS AIN'T ENOUGH FOR YOU WANT WE SHOULD SLUG YOU AND TAKE IT AWAY :

I FOUND IT! HUNDRED AND THOUSAND EIFTY BUCKS TO YOU CHISELERS ...



AIN'T RUNNING HARRY, YOU LOUSE-COME GOT TO BLOW! BACK WITH THAT DIDN'T YOU SEE AL SHOVE A SHIV IN BOZ'S BACK! BAG OR I'LL HUNT YOU DOWN



FOUR GREEDY HOODLING DID A BLACK BAG SEE! ONE WAS KNIFED, AND THEN THERE WERE THREE!

THOUGHT BOZ AVE UP TOO EASY! WHAT'D YOU HAVE WE COULD'VE GOT IT FROM HIM!

AAAH! SO MAYBE HE GETS SORE AND TIPS THE COPS...THEN WHAT : ANYHOW, WE ONLY GOT TO SPLIT THREE WAYS NOW!

YEAH, AL'S RIGHT!

DIVVY UP THE LETTUCE!

HUH?

HAVE

OH, YEAH,

LOOK

HOW DO YOU LIKE THAT? JAMMED! OPEN UP, BLAST YOU!

TWENTY MINUTES LATER .. EASY, WALT! WE'LL GET IT! HEY, WE COULD CUT IT OFEN! AL, HOW ABOUT YOUR KNIFE -IS IT SHARF ENOUGH TO CUT THROUGH THIS LEATHER?

I DON'T KNOW! ASK BOZ! I LEFT IT STUCK IN HIS BACK! GOT A

ONE SHOVE, AND



WHAT A DEAL!
TWO HUNDRED
THOUSAND
SMACKERS
RIGHT IN OUR
HANDS! IM I'M DARNED SURE HAVEN'T GOT KNIFE OUT THERE! I NEVER EAT HERE -JUST USE THE PLACE AS A FLOP! I'LL TAKE A LOOK, DYING TO SEE THE

NUTS IF I DON'T SOON!

AAH...HE WON'T HAVE A KNIFE! HEY, WHAT ABOUT THE DRUGSTORE DOWN AT THE CORNER? THEY'D SELL KNIVES DOWN THERE OR RAZOR BLADES! CAN YOU SEE FROM YOUR WINDOW IF THEY'RE OPEN?



IT'S HARD TO SEE! THE STORE IS ON THIS SIDE OF THE STREET!



THREE GREEDY HOODLUMS DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO! OUT OF A WINDOW WENT ONE, THEN THERE WERE TWO!























IT WON'T BUDGE!
WE CAN'T WAIT
UNITIL TOMORROW,
OR SOMEBODY'S
LIABLE TO SPOT US
WITH IT! YOU SAY
THERE'S NO RUSH,
HARRY, BUT DO YOU
KNOW WHAT TIME
IT IS? ABOUT THREE
A. M.!

WELL, IM
NOT LETTING
NO HUNK OF
LEATHER STUMP
ME! GIVE IT
HERE! I'LL PUILL
IT TO PIECES!

















## OBEY

WHEN MORNING CAME, AL WALKED AS CALMLY AS POSSIBLE FROM THE HOTEL ROOM, THE BLACK BAG HIS HAND! HE HAD GONE ONLY A FEW BLOCKS WHEN HE PASSED TWO POLICEMEN WHO REGARDED HIM QUIZZICALLY! SUDDENLY PANIC SEIZED HIM ...





THEY'RE COMING AFTER ME! THEY'LL' PULL ME IN! THEN EVERYTHING I'VE DONE SINCE I FOUND THE BAG WILL BE TRACED BACK-BOZ, WALT, HARRY-EVERYTHING! CAN'T LET 'EM CATCH ME! MONEY AWAY! HEY, YOU - HE'S LET'S GET HIM! RUNNING AWAY, TIM!





STRANGE, THE

MAKE PEOPLE

THINGS A GUILTY CONSCIENCE WILL





A SHORT TIME LATER, A POLICE VAN ARRIVED AND REMOVED AL'S BODY! AN INSPECTOR FROM HEAD-QUARTERS WHO HAPPENED TO BE NEARBY DIRECTED AN OFFICER TO OPEN THE BLACK BAG IN THE WAITING ROOM OF THE " STATION.





NO, SIR! HE HAD NO PAPERS ON HIM-

NOTHING IN THE WAY

OF IDENTIFICATION!

THE FOLLOWING DAY ONE MIGHT HAVE GONE TO THE SAME "L" STATION AND FOUND THINGS BACK TO NORMAL! ALL THAT REMAINED OF THE EPISODE WAS THE HEAD LINES - BUT THEY DIDN'T TELL EVERYTHING.









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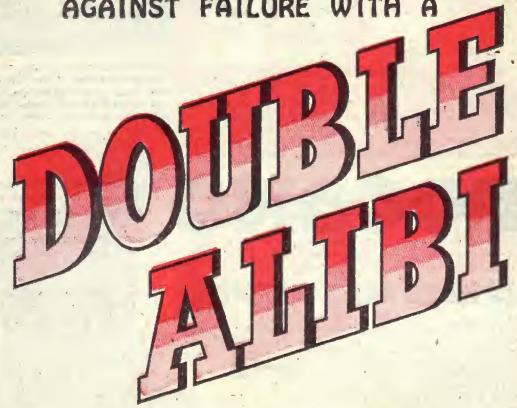
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MATT ROYAL HAD PLANNED WHAT HE BELIEVED TO BE THE PERFECT CRIME, TIMED TO THE SPLIT SECOND AND INSURED AGAINST FAILURE WITH A



ATT ROYAL and Arkie Blake were holding a final rehearsal in Matt's room at the Triboro-Central Hotel. Matt gestured toward his bags with one hand, opened the closet door with the other. From the closet, Matt brought hat and coat; he turned his back as he put them on. His face was muffled in his overcoat collar when he reached the hallway door and pretended to thrust some money into Arkie's hand.

"Get the idea?" queried Matt. "That's the way you're to act when you pass yourself as me, at seven-thirty! Phone for the bellhop and say you want your bags taken to the packing room, where you'll pick them up later. But don't let the guy see your face! Be sure it's muffled like this, when you pass him."

Arkie nodded that he understood.

"Then call the cashier and tell her to have the bill ready," continued Matt. "Go down the stairs instead of the elevator and you'll come right to her window. Give my name and the room number when you shove the cash through the wicket.

any more of your face than you have to! She doesn't know me, anyway, but play it safe! Then..."

"I know, I know," interposed Arkie. "I go out the side door and over to Carnahan's pool room to frame an alibi for myself, after rigging one for you!"

"Right," agreed Matt, "and if anything goes wrong, there's still the telephone"—he nudged his thumb in its direction—"so you can make a hurry call to old man Betz's place! Remember, though, it's a seven-thirty dead line! I told the management I'd check out sharp, if they'd let me keep the room until then."

With that, Matt left. He went down the stairway that he had mentioned to Arkie and reached the side door unnoticed. This was all to the good, since Matt had left Arkie doubling for him up in the room. Matt's car was parked in the next block. He got into it, drove to the outskirts of the city and, in the gathering dusk, reached the obscure suburb where Jerome Betz lived—and soon was to diel

Parked across the street from Betz's Spanishtype house, Matt Royal considered the next step in the perfect crime that he had planned. He could talk Betz into coming out to the car; that, Matt knew, but there was a neater way of handling it. Betz's nephew was away; therefore, the chances were that the garage was empty. And the garage connected with the house! The clock on the dash showed seven-twenty, so Matt started the motor, swung the car into Betz's driveway and threw the bright lights through the tiny windows of the garage door.

It was empty, as Matt hoped. He cut off lights and motor, stepped from the car and slid the garage door open. He got back into the car, coasted it into the darkened garage. Then, a shadowy figure Matt stole out, leaving the garage door partly shut. Matt went up the front walk, rang the door bell, and was standing there, his grinning, amiable self, when Betz opened the door.

A smile cracked across Betz's dry face when his tiny eyes recognized Matt. Betz bowed the visitor into the house, but it was Matt who spoke first. "Yeah, Betz," he said, "I guess you know I've been hitting the ponies lately. I've come to lift that marker you're holding for five grand. It's right here."

Matt displayed a roll of money, and Betz led the way into a little office off the hall. A clock

struck the half hour while Betz was stooped in front of an old safe, working the combination. He took a few minutes more to find Matt's note. Meanwhile, the telephone did not ring. Arkie would have called by now, if there was any hitch. Of that, Matt was sure. He brought something black from his hip pocket. It thudded on the back of Betz's head and stretched the old money lender cold. The way he fell, you could tell that he had, died instantly.

Now Matt worked fast. He plucked his note from Betz's hand. He pulled on his gloves and scooped up all the cash he saw in the safe, confident that he would leave no fingerprints. Matt closed the safe, spun the dial. He hoisted Betz's light, frail form over his shoulder and found the door that connected to the garage. He carried the dead man there, letting the door latch automatically behind him.

A few minutes later, Matt backed his car out into the thick twilight with Betz's figure huddled in the seat beside him. Matt closed the garage door, returned to the car and backed it around the corner. He then opened the door on the far side and let Betz's body fall out while the car was still in motion.

Ruthlessly, Matt now shot the car backward, then forward, veering it so that both right wheels jounced across the victim. A moment later be



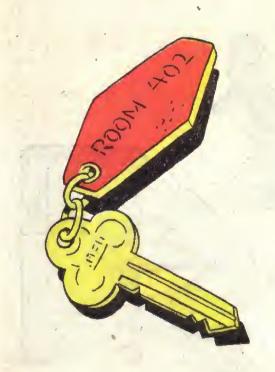
flicked on the lights and sped along his way, turning into a side street when he saw the lights of an approaching car. Those lights pleased Matt. They meant that Betz's body would be found, within ten minutes after his death, which would be attributed to a hit and run driver.

It would take the police a while to catch up with Matt Royal and by then it wouldn't matter! He could prove that he'd checked out of the Triboro-Central Hotel just before seven-thirty, so how could he have been out at Betz's at that time, when the suburb was nearly an hour's drive from the city?

Matt had that question ready at midnight, when a state police car swooped upon the filling station where he was gassing up. The troopers put the clamps on Matt, once they saw his license number. They took him to headquarters and told him bluntly that he was wanted for the murder of Jerome Betz. Matt grinned at that, until he saw the officers take impressions of his tires and compare them with photographs that matched them.

"They're yours, all right!" the lieutenant said to Matt. "We got them off the floor of Betz's garage, which proves you had your car in there."

"Quit kidding," retorted Matt. "You can't pick tire tracks off a garage floor. There are too many. Betz's nephew must have marked up the





whole place with his own car!"

"Except that he didn't have a car," the lieutenant informed. "That garage never had been occupied! Your tires were the first that ever muddied its nice clean concrete!"

Matt Royal grinned a sickly grin; then he brightened.

"I wasn't near Betz's tonight," he argued. "I checked out of the Triboro-Central Hotel at seven-thirty and started out of town . . ."

"Without stopping to see Arkie Blake?"

"Why should I have seen Arkie?"

"To give him this!" From his pocket the police lieutenant brought a hotel key, dangling it familiarly in front of Matt's troubled, blinking eyes. "We picked up Arkie at Carnahan's pool room. He said he hadn't seen you, either. Funny how people forget to turn in hotel keys when they check out. Arkie did it with your key, Royal, and we found it in his overcoat pocket! There goes your double alibi!"

It was more than just a key to a hotel room. That was the key which was to unlock the door of the death cell for Matt Royal, whose attempt at a perfect crime had resulted in a double failural

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NELSON FLYNN WAS THE KEY FIGURE IN THE DRAMA, THOUGH AT THIS POINT, HE WAS JUST ANOTHER SPECTATOR...



YET FLYNN'S INTEREST IN THE CASE WAS DEEPER, MORE PERSONAL; HIS SON, LARRY, WAS ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY...





NELSON FLYNN, KNOWN TO HIS INTIMATES AS "NELLIE", HAD JUST RETURNED FROM A TRIP TO CHICAGO! HE WENT IMMEDIATELY TO THE PENTHOUSE APARTMENT OF HIS BEST-PAYING CLIENT, DANNIE GIBBONS...

THERE WAS A WARM, UNDERSTANDING LOOK EXCHANGED BETWEEN FATHER AND SON AS LARRY FLYNN WAS ABOUT TO SUM UP THE CASE FOR THE STATE-A LOOK THAT BELIED THE BITTERNESS WHICH EXISTED BETWEEN THEM ONLY A SHORT TIME AGO! IT WAS THE STORY OF A TOUGH, REALISTIC CRIMINAL LAWYER AND AN IDEALISTIC YOUTH, THAT HAD ITS BEGINNINGS SEVERAL YEARS BACK...



NELLIE, I GOT
FORTY SLOT
FOR THAT! A CONTRACT
FOR GAMBLING EQUIPMENT WOULDN'T BE
BINDING, ANYHOW!
BESIDES, PARKER HAS
TURNED YOU DOWN
BEFORE! HE JUST WON'T
ALLOW GAMBLING IN
HIS PLACE!













THAT NIGHT, NELSON PHONED DANNIE GIBBONS FROM THE LIBRARY OF HIS HOME IN NEW YORK ... YES, I'M HOME NOW, DANNIE! I SAW JERRY PARKER.

YES, I'M HOME NOW, DANNIE! I SAW JERRY PARKER EARLIER THIS EVENING! WELL, IT'S AS I SAID, HE WON'T SELL OUT TO YOU — AT ANY PRICE! OH, NOW, JISTEN, DANNIE! STOP ACTING LIKE A SPOILED CHILD! WHY IF I ASKED YOU TO TELL ME THE NAMES OF ALL THE NIGHCLUBS, HOTELS, AND RESTAURANTS YOU ALREADY OWN, I'LL BET YOU COULDN'T



THAT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS, FLYNN! FOR FIVE YEARS IVE WANTED THAT CLUB! YEAH, I WANT TO PUT SLOT MACHINES IN, BUT THAT'S NOT THE IMPORTANT THING! ALL RIGHT, IF YOU WANT TO DRAG MY INSDES OUT, I'LL TELL YOU WHY I WANT IT! I'VE PULLED MYSELF UP FROM THE GUTTER, I'VE KICKED, CHEATED, BATTLED MY WAY UP' TO WHERE I AM NOW...



YEAH, I GOT MONEY-MILLIONS! BUT I WANT MORE THAN MONEY! I WANT NICE FRIENDS, PEOPLE WITH CLASS, THE KIND THAT GO TO THE CLUB JUBILES! I COULD MEET THEM IF PARKER WOULD SELL, BUT NO, I'M NOT GOOD ENOUGH! I OFFERED HIM FIVE TIMES WHAT HIS SHARE IS WORTH! OKAY, FLYNN, IF YOU'RE TOO STUPIO TO SWING IT, I'LL GET PARKER MY OWN WAY... I'LL HELLO, FLYNN!... HE HUNG UP ON ME! I'LL SHOW THAT STUFFED-SHIRT MOUTHPIECE WHO HE'S DEALING WITH!





HOW'RE YOU GETTING ALONG DOWN THERE WITH WHEELER HARPER AND WHAT'S HIS NAME, SON ? WHEN ARE THEY GOING TO LET YOU HANDLE A BIG CASE ?

NOW YOU AREN'T GOING TO PRESSURE ME AGAIN, ARE YOU DAD? I MAY NOT HAVE HAD ANY IMPORTANT CASES, I'VE HAD THREE YEARS OF EXPERIENCE



JUST A MINUTE, LARRY! HEAR ME OUT! IT WAS WORK YOUR WAY THROUGH COLLEGE AND LAW SCHOOL! VERY NOBLE, BUT VERY UNNECESSARY! HOWEVER, I CAN UNDERSTAND THAT! EVEN GETTING YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH A SHYSTER FIRM LIKE WHEELER ...

DAD! THAT'S NOT VERY ETHICAL! BE-SIDES IT'S A REPUTABLE FIRM! BUT THAT'S BE-SIDE

HOLD ON,





LET ME FINISH! I NATURALLY







HA! HA! HA! 50 ITS

LARRY, I KNOW YOU HAVE A BRILLIANT CAREER AHEAD OF YOU IN LAW! I'VE BEEN CHECKING UP ON YOU! I HAD LUNCH WITH JOHN DONEGAN LAST WEEK!
HE BAYS YOU'LL MAKE
A GREAT TRIAL LAWYER
SOME DAY! BUT YOU
HAVEN'T HAD ENOUGH WHY NOT FOR THE D.A. . EXPERIENCE! WHY, AN WELL, OLD OLD FOX LIKE ME FOX, WE'LL WOULD MAKE A



AT 2 A.M., THAT MORNING .. GET THIS STRAIGHT, AL! I DON'T WANT THE DOOR-MAN TO SEE ME GETTING INTO PARKER'S CAR, SO ATTRACT HIS ATTENTION! TO WORK FOR THEN GO INSIDE AND MAKE SURE YOU'RE SEEN AND REMEMBERED! ALTER, YOU CAN ALIBI ME IF I NEED IT!

MINUTES

AGO YOU SAID I

HAD THE

EXPERIENCE

YOU! THEN



SURE

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LATER

YOU!

### OBEY

IT WAS AN HOUR BEFORE DANNIE GIBBONS FROM HIS CRAMPED POSITION ON THE FLOOR IN THE BACK OF PARKER'S CAR, HEARD THE CLUB OWNER COME OUT...





HAVE A GUN POINTED YOUR BACK, PARKER! WANT YOU TO TAKE ME SAY, WHAT'S THE FOR A LITTLE DRIVE THROUGH CENTRAL PARK! DON'T BE AFRAID! I'M NOT GOING TO SHOOT UNLESS YOU MAKE ME

DEAT WHO GIBBONS! YOU WON JUST TAKE NO FOR AN ANGWER WILL YOU ?





OTHERWISE, WHAT? I'M NOT AFRAID OF YOUR KIND! SUPPOSE I WERE TO SAY YOU TALK LIKE YOU WERE HOLDING THE GUN, PARKER! I'M THROUGH BEING NICE! I WANT THE CLUB JUBILEE! I'LL DEAL WITH YOU ? WHATS TO STOP ME FROM HAVING YOU ASK, OTHERWISE .. ARRESTED TOMORROW? GIBBONS, WHY DON'T YOU STOP TRYING TO ELBOW YOUR WAY IN WHERE YOU CON'T BELONG!

DON'T YOU TALK TO ME THAT WAY! SLIRE, YOU'D RUN TO THE COPS! I'D EXPECT THAT FROM YOUR KIND! WELL, YOU'RE IN MY WAY, PARKER! YOUR PARTNERS WOULD SELL OUT TO ME, BUT

YOU WON'T GET AWAY WITH THIS, GIBBONS! YOU'RE JUST A HOOOLUM-AND ALL THE MONEY IN THE WORLD CAN'T CHANGE THAT! YOU'RE A SELF-CENTERED BRAT WHO NEVER GREW UP! YOU'VE GOT TO HAVE YOUR WAY OR YOU FLY INTO A TANTRUM ...





WHY, YOU HAVEN'T THE

CHEAP, FOUR-

GUTS, YOU

I'LL KILL YOU FOR SAYING THAT! DO YOU HEAR ME ?

I'LL KILL YOU!









SEVERAL HOURS LATER ...







GIBBONS' ATTORNEY ARRIVED AT THE



THAT STORY STINKS, .50 HE GIBBONS! IT'S FULL OF HOLES! HAVE TRIED TO CHOKE ME AND I YOU EVEN A SINGLE PULLED WITNESS TO TESTIFY MY GUN! THAT PARKER INVITED BUT EVEN YOU INTO HIS CAR, THEN I DIDN'T AS YOU CLAIM ? WHY DID YOU GO WANT TO SHOOT! TO HIS CAR TO IT WAS THE ONLY WAY I TALK WITH HIM, ARMED, AND AT WELL, THAT'S HOW IT HAPPENED! THREE O'CLOCK MORNING F



A HIGH SCHOOL BOY COULD TEAR YOUR STORY TO PIECES! WHAT DO YOU THINK THE D.A. WILL DO WITH IT? I WANT THE TRUTH, GIBBONS, OR I CAN'T DO ANYTHING FOR YOU!





THE TRIAL DATE WAS SET AND PREPARATIONS WERE UNDER WAY! THOUGH NELSON FLYNN BELIEVED IN HIS HEART THAT HIS CLIENT HAD DELIBER ATELY MURDERED JERRY PARKER, HE WAS FORCED TO BUILD HIS CASE ON THE DETAILS YET EVEN UNDER SUCH DIPPICULTIES THE GREAT MOUTHPIECE PLANNED A STRONG DEFENSE! IT WAS PLAIN TO SEE, HOW-EVER, THAT THE WHOLE BUSINESS WAS BUSINESS WAS GETTING HIM DOWN, AND ONE EVENING. SHORTLY BEFORE THE TRIAL BEGAN...













I'M BEGINNING JUST A INDERSTAND! YOU MINLITE! FOR THREE YEARS DIDN'T LIKE THE NOW I'VE BEEN IDEA OF MY LALIGH-MAKING A GOOD NAME FOR MY-SELF, BUT YOU'VE BEEN TOO BUSY ADMIRING YOUR TO KNOW ABOUT THAT! WELL, THE DISTRICT DOES.

NIGHT YOU THAT ME YOU HAD JOINED WHITFIELD'S STAFF! ALL RIGHT! NOW YOU'RE GOING TO SHOW ME! WELL, I'M STILL LAUGHING, AND I'LL LAUGH WHEN YOU WIND UP WHERE YOU STATED CLERK!

THERE WAS MORE OF THE SAME FOR THE STUBBORN YOUNG NELSON. THE YOUNG ASSISTANT DISTRIC JACKASS! SPENDS THREE VOL ATTORNEY THE NEXT DAY WHEN HE DISCUSSED THE COMING TRIAL WITH HIS YEARS TRYING TO BUILD SHOULDN'T UP A NAME FOR HIMSELF, THEN PREPARES TO THROW IT AWAY IN ONE MAGNIFICENT GESTURE! ALL BECAUSE I HURT HIS PRIDE! WHAT'S HAVE SUPERIOR, ROSS WHITFIELD ... SPOKEN TO HIM THAT FOX! YES, I KNOW! HE HAS WAY ..

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT CASE, LARRY! PUBLIC THE LEGAL PROFESSION SENTIMENT IS VERY MUCH AGAINST DANNIE IN THIS TOWN BUFFALOED, BUT BE CONVICTED! I'M KNOW HIS GOING TO DO THIS WEAKNESS! SPENT A MONTH FATHER IS A .. PLOTTING MY ATTACK TO BE ASSIGNED TO THE CASE! YOU YOURSELF SAID WE'VE GOT A PERFECT CASE!

THANK YOU

ANYTHING.

SIR- AND I

PROMISE

YOU I'LL

EVERYTHING

GIVE

THE TRIAL, TOO IT WILL MEAN THAT MUCH MORE WHEN I WIN! AND I'M WILLING TO RISK IT! YES, THERE 16 FATHER WILL PIN OUR EARS BACK! HE'S CLEVER! I SOMETHING DON'T KNOW PERSONAL IN THIS! WHY YOU'RE SO ANXIOUS TO FIGH I'VE NEVER TAKEN ANYTHING FROM HIM, LARRY! DAD - NOT SINCE I WAS A CHILD! I PAID FOR MY EDUCATION... WORKED HARD YOU KNOW HOW IT MIGHT LOOK IF YOU WERE TO FOR IT! LOSE ...

DAD ALWAY THOUGHT I WAS BEING RIDICULOUSLY HEROIC ABOUT MY INDEPENDENCE—LIKE DON QUIXOTE FIGHTING WINDMILLS! SURE, I WANT TO PROVE THAT I CAN'MAKE THE GRADE, BUT MORE THAN THAT I WANT TO PROSECUTE MEN LIKE GIBBONS! THEY TOUCH THEY RUIN EVERYONE

WRONG WITH WHITFIELD?

HIMSELF? AAH! HE WOULDN'T DARE SEND

MAN'S JOB!

A BOY TO DO A

THEN TOP IT OFF WITH MURDER!

WELL, AFTER ALL, I DID ASK YOU TO JOIN OUR MR. WHITFIELD! STAFF! YOU'VE HAD A SPLENDID RECORD, AND PERHAPS IT'S JUST YOUR KIND OF ENTHUSIASM THAT IT WILL TAKE TO IMPRESS A JURY! OKAY, IT'S YOURS, LARRY WITH ONE PRO-VISION - YOU'RE TO HAVE



AS SOON AS DANNIE GIBBONS LEARNED WHO WAS TO PROSECUTE HIM, HE SENT FOR AL REEFER...

AL, IT STINKS! I DON'T TRUST FLYNN! IT'D BE A FEATHER IN HIS SON'S CAP IF HE GETS ME CONVICTED! I WANT TO STOP NELSON FLYNN FROM TOSSING ME TO THE WOLVES! I YOU TO HAVE ANOTHER MOUTHPIECE READY - START PAYING HIM TO BE AT THE TRIAL JUST LISTENING! AND AL, I WANT WHAT HE'S TO DO.



OF COURSE

POSSIBLE!

KIND OF

ANYTHING IS

BUT JERRY PARKER JUST WASN'T THAT

AND SO, THE TRIAL GOT UNDERWAY! FROM THE START THE ELDER FLYNN CHALLANGED EVERY POINT THE PRO-SECUTION MADE, TWISTED THE MEANING, CAST DOUBT ON EACH WITNESS! HIS BRILLIANCE WAS OVER-WHELMING! BUT YOUNG FLYNN KEPT PLUGGING AWAY

YES, AS A PARTNER, MR. PARKER TOOK ME INTO HIS CONFIDENCE! HE SAID HE WAS FED UP WITH GIBBONS' EFFORT TO BUY HIS SHARE OF THE CLUB JUBILEE! HE SAID HIS REFLISAL COULDN' HAVE BEEN MORE EMPHATIC!

AND TELL THE COURT WHY MR DEGRASS! DID MR. PARKER EVER SAY WHY HE REFUSED TO



HE GAVE SEVERAL REASONS! FIRST OF ALL, HE DIDN'T NEED THE MONEY! SECOND, YOU MIGHT THAT CALL THE JUBILEE HIS BABY WILL BE THIRD, HE DIDN'T WANT TO SEE ALL, MR SLOT MACHINES GO INTO THE PLACE! FOURTH, HE FELT AN OBLIGATION TO OUR DEGRASS! THANK YOU! YOUR PATRONS! FRANKLY WITNESS. SPOKE OF GIBBONS AS MR A RACKETEER!



YOU SAID THAT MR. PARKER WAS UP" WITH GIBBONS' REQUEST TO BUY YOUR CLUB! THEN IT'S QUITE POSSIBLE ISN'T IT, THAT AS THE DEFENDANT CLAIMS MR. PARKER BEFORE, TO BUY



ARE YOU TRYING TO INFER THAT THE DEFENDANT, HIMSELF A MILLIONNAIRE, OWNER OF EIGHT NIGHT CLUBS, ANY OF WHICH IS LARGER THAN THE JUBILEE; AS WELL AS A CHAIN OF NATIONALLY-KNOWN HOTELS, PLACED HIMSELF IN JEOPARDY SIMPLY TO OWN ONE MORE NIGHT CLUB! POPPYCOCK!



IF YOU'LL SEARCH YOUR SOUL FOR THE TRUTH, MR, DEGRASS, YOU'LL HAVE TO ADMIT THAT PARKER WAS AN EGO-MANIAC, A WARPED LITTLE MAN WITH A SUPERIORITY COMPLEX, A MAN WHO BELIEVED IN THE DIVINE RIGHT OF THE UPPER CLASSES, A MAN OF VIOLENT EMOTIONS, OF VIOLENT TEMPER— AND SO HE WAS FED UP"—TO A POINT WHERE ME ATTACKED THE DEFENDANT! ISN'T THAT A TRUER PICTURE, MR. DEGRASS?

I ... I DON'T KNOW ... I MEAN I REALLY DIDN'T KNOW MR. PARKER THAT WELL!





LOCK! LARRY'S HANGING ON THE ROPES! HE'S MAKING IT YOU LOOK LIKE YOU TOOK THE FIGHT RIGHT OUT OF HIM! HEH-HEH! BELLEVE DON'T TELL ME YOU DIDN'T GET THAT, TO THAT KID SOMEHOW! GIBBONST

NO, SIR, I NEVER
HEARD MR. GIBBONS
THREATEN ANYONE!
GEE, HE HIRED ME FOR
A BODYGLIARD SO
NOBODY'D HURT HIM!
YOU WOULDN'T
CALL A GUY
LIKE THAT...

FLYNN!



YOUR HONOR, I ASK THE COURT'S PERMISSION TO WITHORAW AS COUNSELL FOR THE DEFENDANT! I... HOMEVER, IF YOU FEEL YOU CANNOT PROCEED...





OF COURSE, THE JUDGE DECLARED A MISTRIAL AND DISMISSED THE JURY! TWO WEEKS LATER, ANOTHER JURY! WAS CHOSEN AND LARRY WAS CROSSING LEGAL SWORDS WITH GIBBONS' NEW ATTORNEY THE CASE PROCEEDED RAPIDLYWAS OVER IN FOUR DAYS! LARRY'S FATHER AND WOTHER WERE THE SPECTATORS WHEN THE JURY RETURNED WITH ITS VERDICT!





BUT DANNIE GIBBONS WASN'T TAKING IT LYING DOWN! SEETHING WITH HATRED. BENT ONLY ON REVENGE, HE GLOWERED SULLENLY AS HE WALKED IN CUSTODY TOWARD THE REAR OF THE COURTROOM.



STAND BACK—EVERYBODY! THE
BRST MAN TO MOVE WILL DIE IN
HIS TRACKS! DON'T GET ME WRONG!
IM NOT CRAZY ENOUGH TO THINK I
CAN WALK OUT OF HERE! I'M NOT
GOING TO TRY! BUT I AM GOING
TO GET EVEN WITH A DOUBLEDEALING RAT—YOU, NELSON
FLYNN!



YOU'RE AIMING
THAT GUN THE
WRONG WAY, GIBBONS!
TWO OVER HERE!
BUT YOU'RE NOT
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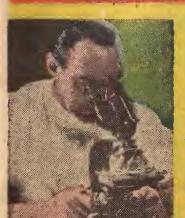




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I enjoy reading your magazine, Crime and Punishment. I am a teen-ager, and this comic book is showing me the pitfalls in life with which I may be faced. The stories and illustrations are very convincing — they prove that there is no glamour in crime — only severe punishment.

Maria Vitello 35-52 Crescent St.
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Jo Ann Bryant College City Walnut Ridge, Ark.

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Veolar Jones 1102 N. Cleveland Ave. Chicago 10, Ill. When Dad brings comic books home, we all dive for yours first. The reason is this—When I pick up a comic book, I glance through it first, observing the appearance. If it looks good, I figure it probably is good. I don't have to study the appearance of Crime and Punishment first, because I'm always sure of reading a good magazine when I pick up this comic. The artwork is very good, too. Also, I'm all for "Who Dunnit."

Alberta Nedwick R.D. #3 Mt. Pleasant, Pa.

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Marshall Quartez 7811 Adrian St. Houston, Tex.

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> Malcolm Russell No. 4, Khaliknani Building Lawrence Road Karachi, Pakistan

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Deborah Fox

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RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
DOUGH! HE'LL LOCK
THAT OFFICE TIGHT
AND PUT A WATCHMAN
ON DUTY ALL NIGHT!
BUT THAT WON'T KEEP
US FROM TAPPING
THAT OLD TIN CAN
HE CALLS A SAFE,
EH, BUZZZ



ALL NIGHT, GUARDS PATROLLED THE PROPERTY OF THE POMELO PACKING COMPANY, AND, THOUGH PROWLERS MIGHT HAVE SLIPPED BETWEEN THEM, ANY ATTEMPT AT BURGLARY WOULD HAVE BEEN SPOTTED...

























By noon that day, alan croft, ace investigator for the allied surety company, arrived in town...

WHAT WE MUST
KNOW FIRST, MR.
JARVIS, IS THE FULL
AMOUNT OF YOUR
LOSS, AND THE EXACT
DENOMINATION
OF THE MONEY
INVOLVED!

HERE ARE THE FIGURES, MR. CROFT! THERE WAS \$6,500 IN BILLS, \$3,500 IN SILVER AND CHANGE! THE DENOMINATIONS ARE LISTED HERE!



BUT FRANKLY, WHAT
BOTHERS ME IS THE
SPEED WITH WHICH
THE SAFE WAS
OPENED! IT'S AN
OLD MODEL, I KNOW,
BUT IT WAS CRACKED
SO FAST THAT YOU'D
THINK THE BURGLARS
MUST HAVE KNOWN
THE COMBINATION!
BUT I'M THE ONLY
PERSON WHO KNEW
THAT























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...BECAUSE I SUPPED THE ROPE FROM MY WRISTS AND PULLED THE TAPE FROM MY MOUTH WHILE I WAS STARTING FOR THE OUTSIDE DOOR! BUT THEY CAUGHT UP WITH ME ON THE WAS! I GRABBED THE MASK OFF ONE, AND JUST THEN THE OTHER SOCKED ME...



BUT I HUNG GOOD! LOIDN'T REALLY SEE AND NOW, ANYTHING TILL IT WAS ALL CYER! THE TWO MERE IT MARTHA CRANE! NEAR THE WINDOW...



... AND I FINALLY MANAGED TO TILT MY CHAIR AND LOOK OUT, JUST AS THEY REACHED THEIR CAR! ONE MAN'S MASK WAS MISSING AND THEY MUST HAVE PUT THE MONEY IN THE CAR, BECAUSE THEY JUMPED RIGHT IN AND STARTED AWAY...



BY THAT
TIME THE
ALARM HAD
BEGUN TO
RING!

WOULD HAVE WITNESSED SOMETHING THAT
WOULD HAVE BEEN A PHYSICAL
IMPOSSIBILITY!

BUT
WHO...





ACY REID MARTHA CRANE

IF YOU CANNOT GUESS WHO

IF YOU CANNOT GUESS WHO PULLED. THE INSIDE JOB, TURN THE PAGE UPSIDE DOWN FOR THE SOLUTION!

ALM CROFTS DEDUCTION WAS CORRECT!
THE PARE MOW, HELPING TOM HILDON
THE PARE SHIPS AND BUZZ PELLEY WHIEN
THEY COME TO GET IT, THEY WATED FOR
THEY CAME TO GET IT, THEY WATED FOR
THEY CAME TO GET IT, THEY WAS EEHIND
THEY CAME TO GET IT, THEY WAS CORRECT!



ACTUALLY THE MOUEY WAS SUEMCED OUT
LEST NIGHT THROUGH THE DOOR TO THE OLD
LOAD OF ORANGES! TODAYS ROBBERY WAS
SHIPPED IN A FREIGHT CAR ALONG WITH A
LOAD OF ORANGES! TODAYS ROBBERY WAS
SHIPPED IN A FREIGHT CAR ALONG WITH A
HARD TO SOURCES!
UP YOUR STORY AND IT BACKEIRED!



YOU CLAIM YOU SAW ONE MAN!

SEXCESS OF SOO POUNDS—FER TOC SEX SOO IN COIN WEIGHING IN SEXALL CHANGE IN A SINGLE LOAD!

CARRY THERE WAS A TOTAL OF SAMALL CHANGE IN A SINGLE LOAD!

CARRY THE EAGS OF SILVER AND

YOUR WONLY ONE MAN! YOU CLAIM YOU SAW ONE MAN
CARRY THE BAGS OF SILVER AND
SMALL CHANGE IN A SINGLE LOAD
HILDON! THERE WAS A TOTAL OF
\$3,500 IN COIN WEIGHING IN
EXCESS OF 300 POUNDS, FAR TOO
MUCH FOR ANY ONE MAN TO CARRY!
THAT ROBBERY WAS FAKED AND



ACTUALLY, THE MONEY WAS SNEAKED OUT LAST NIGHT THROUGH THE DOOR TO THE OLD LOADING PLATFORM! IT WAS PROBABLY SHIPPED IN A FREIGHT CAR ALONG WITH A LOAD OF ORANGES! TODAY'S ROBBERY WAS FAKED TO MAKE A BLIND TRAIL AND TO SQUARE YOU, HILDON! BUT YOU TRIED TO PRETTY UP YOUR STORY AND IT BACKFIRED!



ALAN CROFT'S DEDUCTION WAS CORRECT!
THE POLICE FOUND THE MONEY IN THE
ORANGE SHIPMENT, THEN WATED FOR
JIM BOLAND AND BUZZ PELLEY WHEN
THEY CAME TO GET IT! THEY ARE BEHIND
THE BARE NOW, HELPING TOM HILDON
PROVE THAT CRIME DOES NOT PAY!

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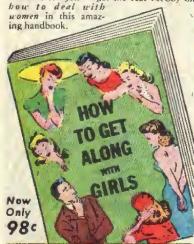


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